# MAKES ATTACK ON

Labor Leader Appears Before House Committee on Rules With Complaint.

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Grand Jury Expected to Return Indictments Against Strikers Today.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17,-Conditions in the Michigan copper mine region were pictured before the house rules commit-tee today by C. E. Mahoney of Denver, vice president of the Western Federation of Miners, who charged that members of the supreme court of Michigan had been keenly interested in the mining properties, either as stockholders or otherwise, and that it was impossible to secure redress for the miners before the state

Mr. Mahoney alleged that the mine operators in Michigan had employed agencles in Chicago, New York and the principal eastern cities to enlist gunmen for cipal eastern cities to enist gunner for service in the copper mine strike area.

"Men are employed frequently," he said, "to work in the northern timber helt, and when they are collected, armed guards are placed in charge of the railroad cars and instructed to deliver them in the Michigan copper district, where they are kept under threats of death and compelled to labor in pconage."

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CALUMET, Mich., Dec. 17.—Indictments are expected tomorrow from the grand jury investigating cases of law-lessness arising in the copper mine strike zone. Two hundred witnesses will appear hefore the jury tomorrow. Sheriff Cruze has made it known that he is prepared to offer complete protection to every striker who wishes to return to work. No more parades by strikers will be permitted. The twety-eight square miles of territory in Houghton county are now pairolled by 2000 deputies.

Ten strikers who were arrested today, charged with rioting in connection with the stoning of the Northwestern passenger train at Hancock in October, were held for trial in the circuit court.

Assurances were given today that the children of the striking miners would not be without some Christmas cheer, when a wealthy Calumet man constituted himself an anonymous Santa Claus to those whose futhers are on strike. He notified the associated charities to see that no child was forgotten on Christmas day, and stated he would provide funds sufficient to insure that all the children would be warmly clothed and well fed.

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DETROIT Dec. 17.—A member of the state supreme court, who was in Detroit today, said that no member of the court who owns stock or is otherwise interested in Michigan copper mining companies, has any part in, litigation before the court concerning the copper mine strike situation. He said that at least two justices did not sit in a recent case because they own stock in one of the mines involved.

#### **FAVORS PURCHASE OF** EMBASSY BUILDINGS

Secretary Bryan Asks House Committee to Appropriate Necessary Cash.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Secretary Bryah asked the house foreign affairs committee today to include in the pend-ing diplomatic and consular appropria-tion bill \$150,000 each for embassy buildings in Mexico City and Tokio, and \$140,000 for Berne.

He was asked if he did not think it would be advisable, under the present Mexican situation, to pass over the Mexica City building for the present, but he replied that he had confidence for railway postal clerks who are abin Mexico's future and that there was sent with pay on account of sickness no reason why the United States should the expense of employing such substihesitate about buying embassy prop-

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Woman Acquitted

PEORIA. III. Dec. 17.—A jury in the circuit court today returned a verilict of not guilty in the case of Mrs. Ada Heathcost, charged with the murder of George V. Bartek. The alleged crime occurred here on the morning of October 5.

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# COMMITTEE REFUSES

(Continued from Page One.)

that the total expenses of maintainng the postal service for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1913, is found to be exceeded by the revenues for the same period; that there is an actual surplus of \$3,841,906.78; and that the postal service is now for the first time since

As to his general financial policy Postmaster General Burleson says: "The dominant policy of the present administration will be to conduct the postal service for the convenience of the public and not for profit. Its controlling purpose will be to promote efficiency by the complete standardization of the service, which will be attained by harmonizing equipment, adjusting the per-sonnel, and securing the greatest pos-sible co-operation in every quarter.

#### Not Guided by Profit.

"The prime consideration in perfecting the personnel of the postal service shall be to recognize efficiency and to shall be to recognize efficiency and to eliminate partisanship. In the extension of service and in the imposition of charges the government must be guided not by the consideration of profit, but by the needs of the people, who have a right to expect the most efficient postal service administered in the most economical manner possible, and made available to them at rates involving, for the service as a whole, no element of taxation. The service should be extended, with due regard for the exigencies of public revenue, wherever its benefits, commercial and social, warrant the expenditure necessary irrespective of whether or not the revenue from each extension will defray the cost thereof. Becommendations

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Notable recommendations to congress for the enactment of additional legisla-tion to facilitate and extend the opera-tions of the postal service are made. Among the more important are the fol-lowing.

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"That the postoffice department be given exclusive jurisdiction over the selection of the sites for public buildings to be used wholly for postoffice purposes, and joint authority with the secretary of the treasury in the selection of sites for federal buildings to be used jointly by the postal and other branches of the government service.

"To amend existing law in order to allow \$2000 indemnity for accidental death of any officer or employee of the postal service or for death within one year as the result of injuries sustained in the service in the line of duty. Provision is also made for leave with full pay for a period of one year for injuries sustained in the line of duty and then at half pay for not exceeding one year additional. This is an important recommendation for the reason that the recommendation for the reason that the existing law applies only to railway postal clerks, sea post clerks and post-office inspectors.

#### Guaranty Fund.

"The elimination of surety bonds now required of postal officers and em-ployees and the substitution of a guaranty fund established and maintained by assessments prescribed by the

postmaster general.

"To authorize the postmaster general to contract for experimental aerial mail service, for which an estimate of \$50,000 has been submitted. "To permit the postmaster general to transfer elerks from postoffices of the first and second classes to the rail-

way mail service at salaries higher than the entrance salary in the railway mail service. The purpose of this legislation is to bring about an interchangeable personnel between the railway mail service and the postoffice service, with a view to a more effective utilization of the entire force of postal employees and to afford better oppor-

tute to be borne by the government instead of the clerk.
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should be made eventually to serve the people as fully and completely as possible without interfering with the efficient conduct of the postal service, and that changes in the regulations that will have the effect of increasing the volume of parcel post mail should be made gradually and only after experience and investigation. should be made gradually and only after experience and investigation have shown that they may be put into effect without loss or detriment to the service."

### Growth of Parcel Post.

In connection with what is referred to as the "prodigious growth" of the parcel post service, particularly, Mr. Burleson discusses additional compensation to the railroads for carrying the mails. He says that data is being secured by the department which will enable him to lay before congress at a later date his conclusions "as to what will be just and adequate compensation."

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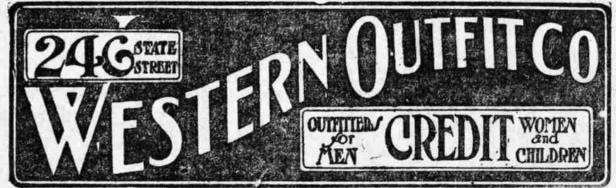
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to utilize the services of rural carriers to utilize the services of rural carriers for the delivery of mails in small towns. On that phase of the service, the re-

tically all of the places where this vil lage delivery service would be desired, the carriers should be used to make such deliveries as may be desirable and feasible to the residents of the villages. The compensation of rural carriers, however, at this time is based on the length of their routes and to make them available for the service indicated their salaries should be based upon an eighthour day. With this change these carriers sould be used not only the service. Mr. Bryan emphasized that the government should provide embassies so that poor men would not hesitate to accept the diplomatic posts.

"We should not force this government to choose its diplomats from rich men only," he said. "There are not enough men among our money-makers fitted for the diplomatic service, and we should not allow rich diplomats to set a standard of expense that would embarrass those who succeed them in an effort to keep up the pace."

Favor Confirmation.

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In conclusion Postmaster General In conclusion Postmaster General Burleson points out that the postoffice department is essentially a business institution, which touches every home in the land. A high standard of efficiency is demanded of all postal employees and he says that he will require from every postmaster his individual attention to the affairs of his office and that this acquirement will be rigidly enforced. requirement will be rigidly enforced.
"For this reason." he says, "the merit system should be adhered to in

Army Orders.

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—By direction of the president, Major F. W. Sladen, infantry, is relieved from duty at the military academy and is assigned to the Eighth infantry, and will proceed to the Philippine islands for duty.

By direction of the president, Colonel William C. Rivers, cavairy, is detailed for service as chief of the Philippine constabulary, with rank of brigadier general, to take effect January 1, vice Major H. H. Bandeltz Twenty-ninth Infantry.

Burleson discusses additional compensation to the railroads for carrying the mails. He says that data is being seemed by the department which will enable him to lay before congress at a latter date his conclusions "as to what will be just and adequate compensation for all services which the railroads have rendered or will be called upon to render the government."

It is pointed out that the mailings of newspapers and periodicals as second-class matter at the one-cent-a-pound rate, and free in the county of publication," for the first time in the history of the postal service exceeded a billion pounds during the last fiscal year."

In connection with the transportation of magazines and other bulky second-class matter by fast freight, instead of by the regular mail routes, the postmaster general expresses carnestly the hope. "that congress will remove the probibition against the extension of this system of handling second-class matter to apply it where found practicable."

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work on the currency bill will begin at once. The amendments comprised the essential features of the measure drafted by Senator Hitchcock and the five members of the scuate banking committee. With these out of the way Senator Owen will offer his bill indorsed by the senate Democratic caucus as the substitute for the class bill that passed the bouse. that passed the house.

### Reserve Section Revised.

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Following the numerous attacks on the note issue provision and the reserve requirements of the bill by those who centended the measure would open the doors to inflation, the Democratic conference tonight revised the reserve section. The required gold reserve behind the new circulating notes was increased from 25 per cent, as provided in the Owen bill to 40 per cent, with a tax of 1 per cent on depletion of the reserve down to 22 per cent. An attempt to fix an arbitrary limit on the amount of notes to be issued failed.

Other amendments adopted provided for the use of a part of the surplus earnings of the regional banks for building up the gold reserve, and for an increase in the compensation of the members of the federal reserve hourd from \$10.001 to \$12.500, as provided in the Hitchcock amendment. The provision that all the member banks must received the proposed new notes at par was approved.

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ment of the United States behind this currency," he said, "why should that credit not be extended to the man who wants to pay his cebts as well as to the

CURRENCY WEAR END

Wealth of the country through speculalong?"

By a vote of thirty-eight to thirty-one
the senate rejected an amendment proposed by Senator Hitchcock providing
that regional banks must extend to member banks as a matter of right rediscounts up to the amount of member
banks' cupital stock, at the prevailing
discount rate and up to twice the capital at increased rates. Senator Norris
voted with the Democrats against the
arrendment. Under the Owen bill the
granting of rediscounts to member banks
yould be entirely in the control of reglonal banks.

Senator Hitchcock then proposed an
amendment to increase to 45 per cent
the gold reserve against issues of the new
federal notes.

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